The Harry Frank Guggenheim Distinguished Scholar Awards (formerly the Harry Frank Guggenheim Research Grants)
Unrestricted funding opportunity

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Website:	https://www.hfg.org/distinguished-scholars
Submission Limitations:	None
Application Deadline:	August 1, 2021 at 12:00 a.m. (EST)

Please contact your RAS unit *and* Nicole Dancz to inform them of your intent to submit

The Harry Frank Guggenheim Distinguished Scholar Awards (formerly the Harry Frank Guggenheim Research Grants) recognize leading researchers proposing to make a significant contribution to illuminating an issue of violence. The Foundation welcomes proposals from any of the natural and social sciences and aligned disciplines that promise to increase understanding of the causes, manifestations, and control of violence and aggression. Highest priority is given to research that addresses urgent, present-day problems of violence—what produces it, how it operates, and what prevents or reduces it.

The Foundation is interested in violence related to many subjects, including, but not limited to, the following:
- War
- Crime
- Terrorism
- Family and intimate-partner relationships
- Climate instability and natural resource competition
- Racial, ethnic, and religious conflict
- Political extremism and nationalism

The Foundation supports research that investigates the basic mechanisms in the production of violence, but primacy is given to proposals that make a compelling case for the relevance of potential findings for policies intended to reduce these ills. Likewise, historical research is considered to the extent that it is relevant to a current situation of violence. Examinations of the effects of violence are welcome insofar as a strong case is made that these outcomes may serve, in turn, as causes of future violence.

Eligibility:
Applicants for an award may be citizens of any country. While almost all recipients of these awards possess a Ph.D., M.D., J.D., or equivalent degree, there are no formal degree requirements for the award. The award, however, may not be used to support research undertaken as part of the requirements for a graduate degree. Applicants need not be affiliated with an institution of higher learning, although most are college or university professors.

Timing:
New applications must be submitted by **August 1 (midnight, EST)** for a decision in December. Final decisions are made by the Board of Directors at its meeting in December. Applicants will be informed of the Board's decision by email and letter. Grants ordinarily commence on January 1. Applicants may request a later starting date, if appropriate to the research project.

Awards:
The majority of Distinguished Scholar Awards range between $15,000 and $45,000 per year, for one or two years, depending on the nature of the research. Applications for larger amounts and longer durations will be considered but must be strongly justified. The awards are made to individuals (or sometimes two or, rarely, three principal investigators) for specific projects, not general research support. They are not awarded to institutions for institutional programs. Individuals who receive research grants may be subject to taxation on the funds awarded. The size of the grants says something about the research they support. They aim to attract applications for projects that can be done within that range, and they expect budget requests to match the specific needs of the project. They will not contribute a portion of costs to a project with other funding unless an independent "Guggenheim component" of the research can be

identified and shown to make a difference to what can be accomplished by the larger project, which must be fully funded otherwise. Be aware that many solid pieces of research are proposed to us each year that can be carried out well within these budget limitations; projects that require significantly more money are simply not appropriate funding by this Foundation.

Budget:
Requests will be considered for:
- Salaries
- Employee benefits
- Fieldwork
- Research assistantships
- Supplies and equipment
- Essential secretarial and technical help
- Other items necessary for the completion of a project.

The Foundation does **not** supply funds for:
- Overhead costs of institutions
- Travel to professional meetings
- Self-education
- Costly laboratory or field equipment
- Dissemination of research findings
- Graduate-degree research
- The Foundation will not consider applications for the support of meetings or conferences

Application Process:
Applications are submitted online. The application link can be found on the web site, www.hfg.org The direct address is https://www.grantinterface.com/Home/Logon?urlkey=hfg Applicants first create a login account and then may access the online application.

Application Materials:
- A. Project Title
    - Complete all questions in this section that are applicable to your proposed project. Some questions are required; these are marked with an asterisk. If your project has more than one Principal Investigator, you will enter information about the Co-PIs in Section C of the application.
- B. Abstract and Survey
    - Enter an abstract by typing or pasting text (Note the length limit.) The abstract should be an informative but succinct description of the project, including its relevance to aggression and/or violence. The survey questions – about the topics, time period, and geographic region of your project—are for statistical purposes only; this information does not affect the evaluation of the application.
- C. Co-Principal Investigators
    - If there is more than one Principal Investigator, enter the CO-PIs here.
- D. Budget
    - See Budget Guidelines: https://static1.squarespace.com/static/5b293370ec4eb7e463c960e6/t/602d3315b8e6443d7b4174f0/1613574933101/HFG+Distinguished+Scholars+%E2%80%93+Guidelines.pdf for more information
- E. Budget Justification
    - Upload a document explaining the need for and planned use of the funds requested for each item in each category of the worksheet completed in D.
- F. Personnel
    - Upload a single file containing the curricula vitae and lists of relevant publications for the principal investigator (s) and all the professional personnel. Do not exceed two pages for each person.
- G. Research Plan

- o Upload a document presenting the specific aims of the project and discuss the background and significance of the proposed work. Describe the methods and procedures of the research and the means by which the results will be analyzed and interpreted. Indicate your familiarity with the relevant scholarly literature and explain how your project will complement or improve upon it. Research plans are usually about 15 double-spaced pages (not including references listed in a bibliography or footnotes).
- H. Other Support
  - o Describe facilities and resources already available for the proposed research. Also list the title, source, dollar amount, period of time for funding expected or being sought for this project from other sources during the period of the grant requested and the expected notification dates, including actual or probably publisher's advances. If no other applications have been or will be submitted, please so state.
- I. Protection of Subjects
  - o Explain what steps will be taken to protect the rights and welfare of any human subjects who might be involved in the research. If non-human animals are to be used in the project, discuss how the animals will be cared for so that they will not suffer unnecessary discomfort, pain, and injury. If these concerns are no applicable to the project, please state that.
- J. Referee Comments
  - o Applicants should send a copy of the application to each of two referees, chosen for their relevant expertise. For each referee, please enter an email address and click "Compose Email" to send them a message from you asking them to be a referee. They will receive a second email from the system with a link to upload their letter. Referees should provide the Foundation with their opinion of the merit of the proposal, the procedures involved, and the applicant's ability to complete the project successfully. The referees may not be involved in the project directly. The letters must be uploaded by August 15.
- K. Electronic Signature